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1984 marked the observance of a significant event. It was the thirtieth anniversary of the establishment of the first Provincial Park in our Province.

In 1954, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador moved to preserve the land surrounding Big Falls on the Humber River for the future enjoyment of Newfoundlanders and visitors alike. The site for Sir Richard Squires Memorial Park was chosen because of the magnificent scenery which surrounds the Falls and to provide access to the river's numerous salmon pools.

Since that time, 77 Provincial Parks have been established throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. Forty-three are Camping Parks, which offer a wide range of facilities for various camping and trailering equipment. These camping parks vary from the 8 campsites in Sandbanks Park near Burgeo to a large park such as Barachois Pond Park near Stephenville with 158 sites. Most have day-use facilities for picnicking enjoyment. There are 15 Day-Use Parks such as Cochrane Pond Park and Pasadena Beach Park which provide swimming and picnicking facilities to the travelling visitors, and 19 Natural Scenic Attraction Parks which were created to preserve the natural beauty of the areas where they are located. Samples of Natural Scenic Attraction parks are; Point LaHaye, a beach-combers paradise located in St. Mary's Bay, and the Dungeon near Bonavista, with its collapsed sea caves. Overnight camping is not permitted in either the Natural Scenic Attraction Parks or in Day-Use Parks.

The growth of the Provincial Parks has progressed through several different phases. During the 1960's, the concentration was on Day-Use and Camping Parks, which provided facilities for swimming, camping and picnicking. Most Parks were located in areas adjacent to the Trans-Canada Highway.

The focus changed in the early 1970's to the development of beach and swimming areas, off the Trans-Canada Highway, while during the latter part of the decade Natural Scenic Attraction Parks were established. It was also during these years that emphasis was placed on Visitor Information and Education with 15 hiking trails and four outdoor amphitheatres being constructed. Large exhibits like the Logging Exhibit and also small "on the site" exhibits such as the Fauna of Newfoundland Parks were constructed. Most of the park interpretation publications were researched and published during the same period.

In the 1980's, Parks Division was working to further diversify outdoor experiences by inventorying canoe routes as well as providing winter camping and cross-country skiing facilities. Maintaining and improving the 20,033 hectares of provincial parkland with its 2,322 campsites and 1,374 picnic sites, is a monumental task.

During the past 30 years, over 5.5 million camper nights have been recorded in parks and another 38 million people have visited parks of which 85% were Newfoundlanders. All of these people have enjoyed the variety of recreational and educational programs offered by Provincial Parks.

FOREWORD

This report is a statistical summary of the recorded use of Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Parks for the summer operating season of 1984. It is based on the actual number of days the parks were open during that time.

The operating season varied throughout the system. Five camping parks (Butter Pot, Gushue's Pond, La Manche, Square Pond, Notre Dame) opened on May 16. Twelve other parks (Fitzgerald's Pond, Backside Pond, Bellevue Beach, Jack's Pond, Northern Bay Sands, Frenchman's Cove, Catamaran, River of Ponds, Barachois Pond, J.T. Cheeseman, Beothuck, Cochrane Pond) opened on May 18. Sir Richard Squires and Jipujikuei Kuespem opened on June 8 while the remainder opened on June 22. Services available in all Provincial Parks were reduced after the Labour Day Weekend and all Camping Parks were closed to vehicle use on September 17.

Parks visitation statistics were collected for staffed parks only. Hence, none were recorded on a regular basis for the nineteen Natural-Scenic Attraction Parks nor for the 13 Day-Use Parks. Also, no visitation statistics were collected for the seven parks which offered organized winter recreation programs in the form of cross-country skiing and winter camping. The park visitation statistics are, therefore, considered to be lower than the actual participation by park users.

There were no new parks opened in 1984. Grand Codroy Provincial Park, however, re-opened in 1984 following construction activities during the previous year. It now offers the public full services including flush toilets, hot showers and electrical, water and sewage hookups at individual campsites. This is the first Provincial Park in the Province to have such facilities. These new facilities were well received by the travelling public, particularly out-of-province visitors.

As indicated in the summary and comparison of Table 16, most Provincial Park statistics increased in 1984. Visitor use increased by 4% while camping increased 1%. It is thought that the extremely good weather experienced throughout the province during the summer is largely responsible for these increases.

If further information is required with respect to the statistics herein, please contact the Planning and Development Section of Parks Division.

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PROVINCIAL PARKS

There are 77 Camping, Day Use and Natural-Scenic Attraction parks in the province which provide the public with a variety of opportunities for outdoor recreation.

CAMPING PARKS

Of the 43 Camping parks, most contain multipurpose campsites although some of the older parks contain sites suitable only for tents. Most camping parks contain facilities for picnicking, swimming, boating and angling as well as interpretive displays and/or programs. One Provincial Camping Park, Grand Codroy has fully serviced sites including water, electricity and sewage per site. It also has flush toilets and showers.

DAY USE PARKS

There are 15 Day Use parks which provide opportunities for swimming, picnicking, hiking, boating and/or angling.

Two fishing access roads are located on the Avalon Peninsula. The purpose of these roads is to provide access and boat launching facilities to large bodies of water with high angling potential.

Camping is not permitted in Day Use Parks.

NATURAL-SCENIC ATTRACTION PARKS

There are 19 Natural-Scenic Attraction Parks promoted in the province. Half of these parks were developed under the Tourism Subsidiary Development Agreement between the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the Department of Culture, Recreation and Youth. All Natural-Scenic Attractions provide opportunities for viewing spectacular coastal or terrestrial scenery.

Camping is not permitted at Natural-Scenic Attraction sites.

FIGURE 1 PROVINCIAL PARKS 1984

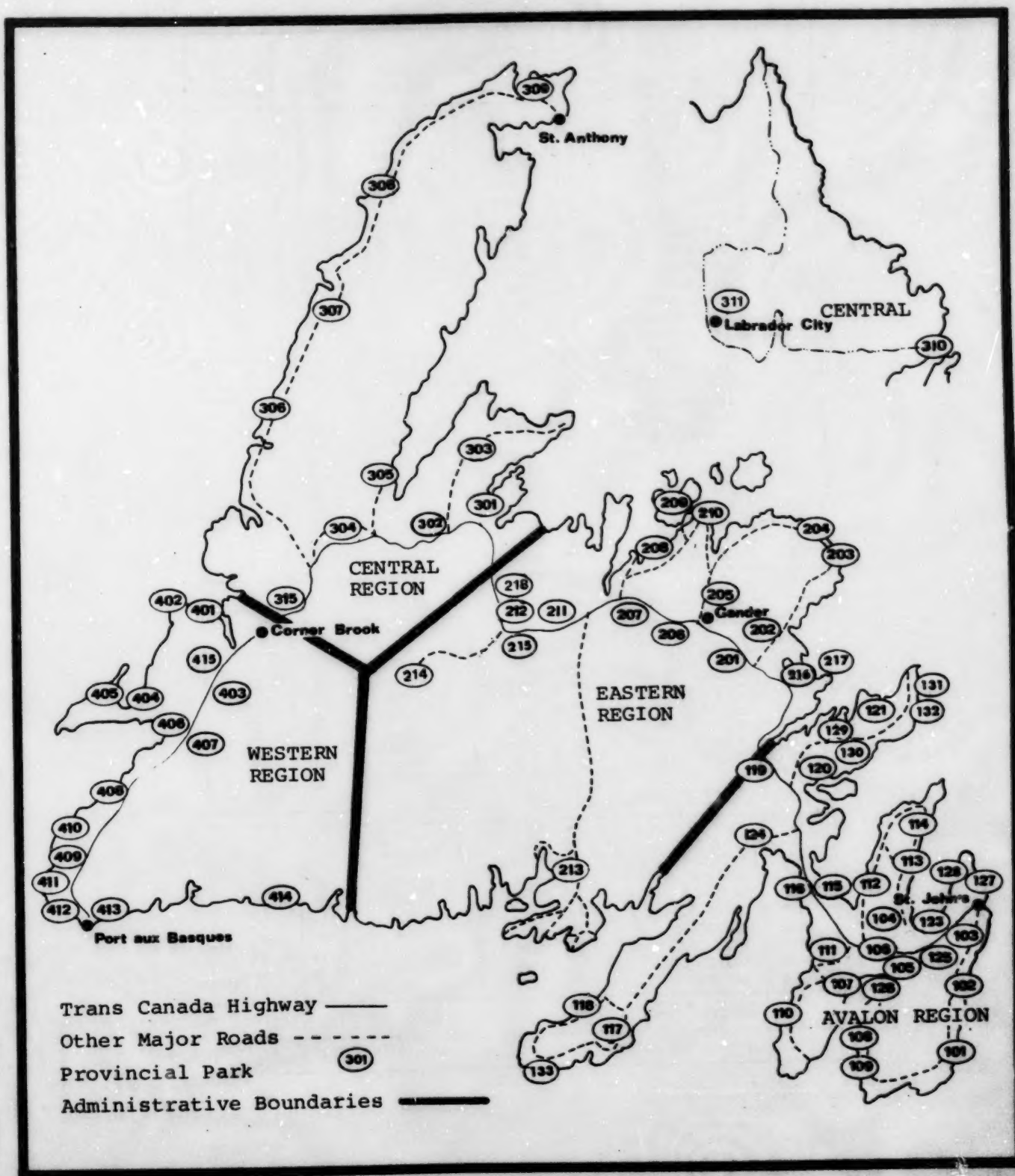


TABLE 1
CAMPING PARKS 1984

MAP REF.	PARKS	YEAR OPENED TO PUBLIC	AREA (HECTARES)	CAMP- SITES	PICNIC SITES
101	CHANCE COVE	1974	2,068	25	25
102	LA MANCHE	1966	1,394	70	35
104	BUTTER POT	1964	1,752	151	54
105	GUSHUE'S POND	1961	179	117	40
109	HOLYROOD POND	1973	226	15	45
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	1972	813	24	23
112	BACKSIDE POND	1972	562	51	25
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1966	14	42	35
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	1959	131	77	50
116	JACK'S POND	1959	601	74	50
117	FRESHWATER POND	1973	892	30	35
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	1967	51	81	35
121	LOCKSTON PATH	1966	202	20	29
124	PIPER'S HOLE RIVER	1976	497	30	25
	AVALON TOTAL		9,382	807	506
201	SQUARE POND	1960	39	93	25
201	DAVID SMALLWOOD	1966	51	27	25
202	WINDMILL BIGHT	1966	365	29	25
205	JONATHAN'S POND	1966	446	96	25
207	NOTRE DAME	1959	113	100	50
209	DILDO RUN	1967	327	31	25
211	BEOTHUCK	1968	74	64	65
213	JIPUJLJKUEI KUESPEN	1976	882	21	54
214	MARY MARCH	1969	32	26	23
218	CATAMARAN	1960	42	57	25
	EASTERN TOTAL		2,371	544	342
301	INDIAN RIVER	1959	29	49	21
302	BAIE VERTE*	1961	14	-	0
303	FLATWATER POND	1968	95	25	21
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	1959	1,574	159	25
305	SOP'S ARM	1966	10	25	25
307	RIVER OF PONDS	1966	120	40	22
309	PISTOLET BAY	1974	890	27	26
310	PINWARE RIVER	1974	68	15	25
311	DULEY LAKE	1973	882	100	50
	CENTRAL TOTAL		3,682	440	215
401	BLOW ME DOWN	1972	226	27	26
403	BLUE PONDS	1961	125	61	25
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	1966	42	50	25
407	BARACHOIS POND	1961	3,497	158	78
408	CRABBE'S RIVER	1959	3	32	15
409	GRAND CODROY	1966	23	50	15
411	MUMMICHOG	1971	84	38	30
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	1960	206	102	40
413	OTTER BAY	1969	162	5	27
414	SANDBANKS	1973	230	8	30
	WESTERN TOTAL		4,598	531	311
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL		20,033	2,322	1,374

* Group Camping Only

TABLE 2

DAY USE PARKS 1984

Map Ref.	Parks	Year Opened To Public	Area (Hectares)	Picnic Sites
103	Cochrane Pond	1960	21	108
106	Father Duffy's Well	1959	9	15
119	Thorburn Lake	1972	35	-
120	Smith Sound	1972	18	10
125	Soldier's Pond (Fishery Access Road)	1975	7	-
126	South West Pond (Fishery Access Road)	1975	4	-
128	Marine Drive	1981	783	20
206	Glenwood	1962	92	22
210	Dog Bay Pond	1972	4	-
212	Aspen Brook	1960	40	25
215	Pearson's Peak	1966	-	-
308	Three Mile Lake	1972	14	-
315	Pasadena Beach	1972	5	25
406	Black Bank	1972	5	-
415	Stag Lake	1979	1,278	60
PROVINCIAL TOTAL			2,812	285

TABLE 3**NATURAL - SCENIC ATTRACTION PARKS 1984**

Map Ref.	Natural - Scenic Attractions	Open To Public	Area (Hectares)
107	Cataracts	1959	12
108	Point La Haye	1972	19
110	Gooseberry Cove	1972	3
113	Salmon Cove Sands	1972	8
123	Topsail Beach	1975	37
127	Middle Cove	1972	3
129	Jiggin Head	1979	4
130	Rattle Falls	1979	21
131	Dungeon	1980	2
132	Maberly	1980	1
133	French Islands	1982	2
204	Deadman's Bay	1972	72
208	Indian Cove Neck	1972	29
216	Northeast Arm	1979	3
217	Eastport North	1983	8
306	The Arches	1979	13
402	Bottle Cove	1972	27
404	Point au Mal	1972	32
410	Codroy Valley	1972	24
PROVINCIAL TOTAL			320

TABLE 4**SUMMARY OF OPERATING UNITS**

Operating Units	Number	Area (Hectares)
Camping Parks	43	20,033
Day Use	15	2,812
Natural - Scenic Attractions	19	320
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	77	23,165

TABLE 5
VISITORS BY ORIGIN

PARK	TOTAL VISITORS	NFLD %	OTHER CANADIANS %	U.S.A. & FOREIGN %
LA MANCHE	98,140	98	1	1
BUTTER POT	46,952	91	6	3
GUSHUE'S POND	113,261	94	4	2
HOLYROOD POND	13,563	93	5	2
FITZGERALD'S POND	55,672	94	4	2
BACKSIDE POND	42,186	97	2	1
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	40,020	96	3	1
BELLEVUE BEACH	68,289	86	9	5
JACK'S POND	36,330	95	4	1
FRESHWATER POND	53,230	98	1	1
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	43,710	97	2	1
LOCKSTON PATH	16,805	95	4	1
MARINE DRIVE	37,717	98	1	1
AVALON TOTAL	665,875	95	4	1
SQUARE POND	79,608	93	6	1
DAVID SMALLWOOD	21,927	97	2	1
WINDMILL BIGHT	63,271	97	2	1
JONATHAN'S POND	78,102	95	4	1
NOTRE DAME	71,257	95	3	2
DILDO RUN	27,596	87	8	5
BEOTHUCK	92,145	94	5	1
JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	6,143	94	5	1
MARY MARCH	14,652	85	10	5
CATAMARAN	55,317	94	4	2
EASTERN TOTAL	510,018	94	4	2
INDIAN RIVER	20,104	71	17	12
FLATWATER POND	7,746	93	5	2
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	26,592	90	6	4
SOP'S ARM	33,686	91	5	4
RIVER OF PONDS	33,330	86	7	7
PISTOLET BAY	9,898	81	10	9
PINWARE RIVER	14,972	72	15	13
DULEY LAKE	21,096	92	8	0
PASADENA BEACH*	9,868	-	-	-
CENTRAL TOTAL	167,424	85	9	6
BLOW ME DOWN	17,546	74	16	10
BLUE PONDS	29,554	83	11	6
PICCADILLY HEAD	17,218	80	13	7
BARACHOIS POIND	54,491	87	9	4
CRABBE'S RIVER	14,551	86	10	4
GRAND CODROY	54,987	74	15	11
MUMMICHOG	19,317	86	8	6
J.T. CHEESEMAN	153,442	89	8	3
SANDBANKS*	6,078	-	-	-
WESTERN TOTAL	367,184	84	10	6
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	1,720,369	92	6	2

* Origin breakdown unavailable

TABLE 6
CAMPER NIGHTS BY ORIGIN

PARK	NUMBER OF CAMPER NIGHTS	ORIGINS		
		NFLD %	OTHER CANADIANS %	U.S.A. & FOREIGN %
LA MANCHE	9,076	94	4	2
BUTTER POT	29,428	92	6	2
GUSHUE'S POND	22,076	95	4	1
HOLYROOD	784	77	16	7
FRIZGERALD'S POND	8,760	87	9	4
BACKSIDE POND	8,596	95	4	1
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	6,136	92	6	2
BELLEVUE BEACH	6,400	89	7	4
JACK'S POND	11,396	91	6	3
FRESHWATER POND	3,148	95	4	1
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	3,776	84	14	2
LOCKSTON PATH	4,520	91	6	3
AVALON TOTAL	114,096	92	6	2
SQUARE POND	19,228	96	3	1
DAVID SMALLWOOD	3,248	93	6	1
WINDMILL BIGHT	7,848	94	5	1
JONATHAN'S POND	9,764	93	5	2
NOTRE DAME	22,964	92	5	3
DILDO RUN	4,808	72	15	13
BEOTHUCK	13,728	88	9	3
JIPUJIKUEI KUESPEM	2,684	93	5	2
MARY MARCH	600	83	12	5
CATAMARAN	13,288	94	5	1
EASTERN TOTAL	98,160	92	6	2
INDIAN RIVER	5,448	78	14	8
FLATWATER POND	1,988	88	7	5
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	16,100	91	5	4
SOP'S ARM	6,344	98	1	1
RIVER OF PONDS	7,592	68	17	15
PISTOLET BAY	3,472	44	30	26
PINWARE RIVER	1,748	34	29	37
CENTRAL TOTAL	42,692	80	11	9
BLOW ME DOWN	2,576	47	29	24
BLUE PONDS	6,432	76	17	7
PICCADILLY HEAD	3,468	69	18	13
BARACHOIS POND	20,248	86	10	4
CRABBE'S RIVER	4,056	69	19	12
GRAND CODROY	9,204	48	33	19
MUMMICHOG	1,260	33	44	23
J.T. CHEESEMAN	12,336	55	30	15
WESTERN TOTAL	59,580	68	21	11
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	314,528	86	9	5

TABLE 7
CAMPING PERMITS SUMMARY

PARK	TOTAL CAMPING PERMITS	REGULAR CAMPING PERMITS %	SENIOR CITIZEN PERMITS %
LA MANCHE	2,269	97	3
BUTTER POT	7,357	95	5
GUSHUE'S POND	5,519	87	13
HOLYROOD POND	196	84	16
FITZGERALD'S POND	2,190	81	19
BACKSIDE POND	2,149	77	23
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1,534	94	6
BELLEVUE BEACH	1,600	79	21
JACK'S POND	2,849	67	33
FRESHWATER POND	787	96	4
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	944	82	18
LOCKSTON PATH	1,130	78	22
AVALON TOTAL	28,524	86	14
SQUARE POND	4,807	77	23
DAVID SMALLWOOD	812	77	23
WINDMILL BIGHT	1,962	77	23
JONATHAN'S POND	2,441	90	10
NOTRE DAME	5,741	84	16
DILDO RUN	1,202	88	12
BEOTHUCK	3,432	85	15
JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	671	93	7
MARY MARCH	150	93	7
CATAMARAN	3,322	81	19
EASTERN TOTAL	24,540	83	17
INDIAN RIVER	1,362	70	30
FLATWATER POND	497	77	23
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	4,025	83	17
SOP'S ARM	1,586	97	3
RIVER OF PONDS	1,898	79	21
PISTOLET BAY	868	79	21
PINWARE RIVER	437	77	23
CENTRAL TOTAL	10,673	82	18
BLOW ME DOWN	644	81	19
BLUE PONDS	1,608	89	11
PICCADILLY HEAD	867	86	14
BARACHOIS POND	5,062	95	5
CRABBE'S RIVER	1,014	88	12
GRAND CODROY	2,301	75	25
MUMMICHOG	315	91	9
J.T. CHEESEMAN	3,084	86	14
WESTERN TOTAL	14,895	88	12
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	78,632	85	15

TABLE 8
CAMPSITE OCCUPANCY RATES

PARK	NUMBER OF CAMPSITES	CAMPSITE OCCUPANCY RATE %		
		SEASONAL %	JULY-AUGUST %	WEEKENDS
LA MANCHE	70	29	34	39
BUTTER POT	151	44	57	70
GUSHUE'S POND	117	43	53	84
HOLYROOD POND	15	18	19	30
FITEGERALD'S POND	24	71	107	144
BACKSIDE POND	51	39	51	77
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	42	34	50	68
BELLEVUE BEACH	77	19	25	32
JACK'S POND	74	36	46	55
FRESHWATER POND	30	36	39	70
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	81	11	12	21
LOCKSTON PATH	20	77	83	113
AVALON REGION	752	38	45	66
SQUARE POND	93	47	58	63
DAVID SMALLWOOD	27	41	46	50
WINDMILL BIGHT	29	93	103	105
JONATHAN'S POND	96	35	36	47
NOTRE DAME	100	52	78	71
DILDO RUN	31	53	55	85
BEOTHUCK	64	50	77	57
JIPUJIKUEI KUESPEM	21	44	40	73
MARY MARCH	26	8	8	10
CATAMARAN	57	54	77	71
EASTERN TOTAL	544	52	61	68
INDIAN RIVER	49	38	40	45
FLATWATER POND	25	27	30	37
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	159	29	31	37
SOP'S ARM	25	87	89	82
RIVER OF PONDS	40	44	69	52
PISTOLET BAY	27	44	50	48
PINWARE RIVER	15	40	44	43
CENTRAL TOTAL	340	39	43	46
BLOW ME DOWN	27	33	35	51
BLUE PONDS	61	36	38	56
PICCADILLY HEAD	50	24	25	35
BARACHOIS POND	158	30	40	46
CRABBE'S RIVER	32	43	40	57
GRAND CODROY	50	53	66	57
MUMMICHOG	38	11	13	14
J.T. CHEESEMAN	102	30	40	38
WESTERN TOTAL	518	35	39	48
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	2,154*	41	47	62

*As indicated in Table 15, there was a total of 2,322 campsites available during 1984. No statistics were recorded for the following camping parks: Sandbanks, Otter Bay, Duley Lake, Piper's Hole River and Chance Cove.

TABLE 9
CAMPING EQUIPMENT UTILIZED

PARK	TOTAL CAMPING EQUIPMENT	CAMPING EQUIPMENT UTILIZED				
		TENTS %	CAMPER TRAILERS %	TRAVEL TRAILERS %	CAMPER TRUCKS %	CAMPER COACHES %
LA MANCHE	2,269	36	17	26	14	7
BUTTER POT	7,357	22	26	36	6	10
GUSHUE'S POND	5,519	13	26	38	9	14
HOLYROOD POND	196	38	13	7	23	19
FITZGERALD'S POND	2,190	16	26	35	9	14
BACKSIDE POND	2,149	14	22	38	12	14
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1,534	47	15	14	7	17
BELLEVUE BEACH	1,600	28	20	20	17	15
JACK'S POND	2,849	11	18	33	14	24
FRESHWATER POND	787	41	21	25	9	4
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	944	17	28	36	12	7
LOCKSTON PATH	1,130	16	26	36	10	12
AVALON TOTAL	28,524	21	23	33	10	13
SQUARE POND	4,807	11	23	41	12	13
DAVID SMALLWOOD	812	15	28	25	18	14
WINDMILL BIGHT	1,962	13	19	32	25	11
JONATHAN'S POND	2,442	17	24	37	11	11
NOTRE DAME	5,741	11	27	38	12	12
DILDO RUN	1,202	30	17	24	14	15
BEOTHUCK	3,432	18	27	33	10	14
JIPUJIKUEI KUESPEM	671	14	40	34	6	6
MARY MARCH	150	40	29	9	14	8
CATAMARAN	3,322	17	24	36	11	12
EASTERN TOTAL	24,540	15	25	36	12	12
INDIAN RIVER	1,362	19	24	17	22	18
FLATWATER POND	497	26	25	24	13	12
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	4,025	12	27	39	12	10
SOP'S ARM	1,586	11	20	46	15	8
RIVER OF PONDS	1,898	21	20	25	16	18
PISTOLET BAY	868	43	12	10	13	22
PINWARE RIVER	437	43	10	9	16	22
CENTRAL TOTAL	10,673	19	22	31	15	13
BLOW ME DOWN	644	36	23	9	14	18
BLUE PONDS	1,608	32	34	10	13	11
PICCADILLY HEAD	867	40	29	13	8	10
BARACHOIS POND	5,062	22	32	28	9	9
CRABBE'S RIVER	1,014	24	23	24	16	13
GRAND CODROY	2,301	15	28	21	16	20
MUMMICHOG	315	53	14	9	12	12
J.T. CHEESEMAN	3,084	31	16	28	11	14
WESTERN TOTAL	14,895	26	27	23	12	12
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	78,632	20	24	31	12	13

FIGURE 2 NEWFOUNDLAND ORIGIN ZONES

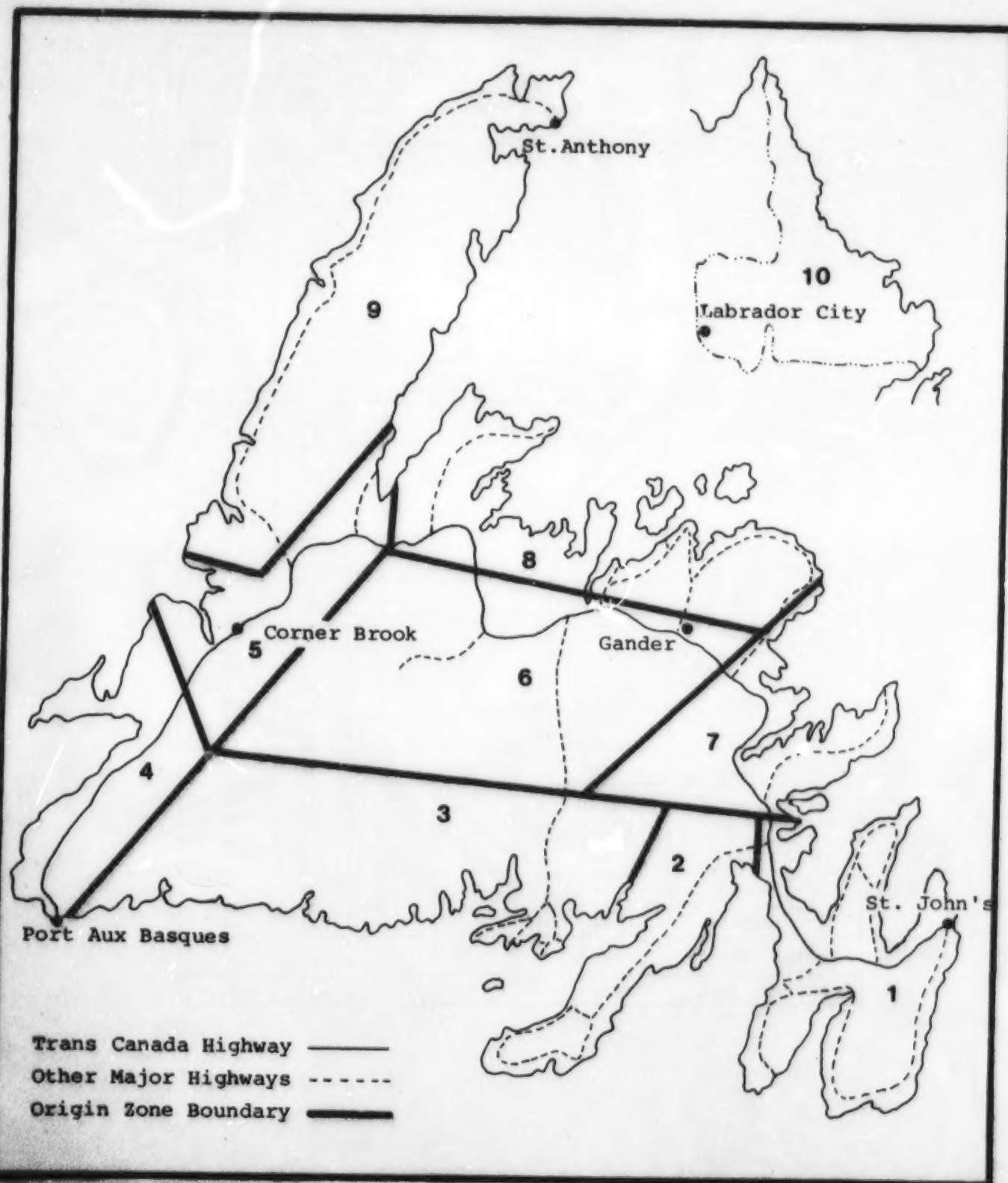


TABLE 10

ORIGIN OF RESIDENT* PARK CAMPERS 1984

ZONE NUMBER	ORIGIN ZONE DESCRIPTION	CAMPER NIGHT ORIGINS %		
		# CAMPER NIGHTS	% OF NFLD. TOTAL	% OF GRAND TOTAL**
1	St. John's	126,352	47%	40%
2	Burin Peninsula	10,056	4%	3%
3	South Coast	13,940	5%	4%
4	Stephenville	15,124	6%	5%
5	Corner Brook	29,980	11%	10%
6	Grand Falls	33,488	12%	11%
7	Bonavista Bay	17,032	6%	5%
8	Notre Dame Bay	18,200	7%	6%
9	Northern Peninsula	3,800	1%	1%
10	Labrador	1,536	1%	1%
RESIDENT TOTALS		269,508	100%	86%

* Resident: Individual with permanent residence in
Newfoundland and Labrador.

** Grand Total: 314,528

FIGURE 3 NON-NEWFOUNDLAND ORIGIN ZONES



TABLE 11

ORIGIN OF NON-RESIDENT CAMPERS 1984

ZONE NUMBER	ORIGIN ZONE DESCRIPTION	CAMPER NIGHT ORIGINS %		
		# CAMPER NIGHTS	% NON-RES TOTAL	% GRAND TOTAL*
11	Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick	10,096	22%	3%
12	Quebec	3,076	7	1
13	Ontario	12,212	27	4
14	Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon, Northwest Territories	4,044	9	1
	CANADIAN TOTALS	29,428	65	9
15	Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island	3,876	9	1
16	New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia	4,584	10	1
17	Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana	1,844	4	0.5
18	North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky	2,336	5	1
19	Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Alaska	2,168	5	1
20	All other Foreign	784	2	0.5
	FOREIGN TOTAL	15,592	35	5
	TOTAL NON-RESIDENT	45,020	100%	14%

* GRAND TOTAL - 314,528

TABLE 12
SEASONAL PERMITS SUMMARY

PARK	TOTAL SEASONAL PERMITS	REGULAR	SENIOR CITIZEN	ORIGIN		
				NFLD %	OTHER CANADIANS %	U.S.A. & FOREIGN %
LA MANCHE	747	678	69	98	1	1
BUTTER POT	1,343	1,258	85	95	3	2
GUSHUE'S POND	1,074	924	150	97	2	1
HOLYROOD POND	92	72	20	87	9	4
FITZGERALD'S POND	452	385	67	93	3	4
BACKSIDE POND	644	512	132	98	1	1
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	690	550	140	96	3	1
BELLEVUE BEACH	567	463	104	95	3	2
JACK'S POND	667	524	143	97	2	1
FRESHWATER POND	424	382	42	99	1	-
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	323	263	60	95	3	2
LOCKSTON PATH	260	208	52	97	1	2
MARINE DRIVE	303	265	38	99	1	-
AVALON TOTAL	7,586	6,484	1,102	97	2	1
SQUARE POND	792	678	114	97	2	1
DAVID SMALLWOOD	167	140	27	98	2	-
WINDMILL BIGHT	575	467	108	97	2	1
JONATHAN'S POND	525	476	49	98	1	1
NOTRE DAME	1,094	938	156	98	1	1
DILDO RUN	225	173	52	93	3	4
BEOTHUCK	948	798	150	95	4	1
JIPUJIKUEI KEUSPEM	122	97	25	97	3	-
MARY MARCH	41	25	16	96	2	2
CATAMARAN	585	494	91	96	3	1
EASTERN TOTAL	5,074	4,286	788	97	2	1
INDIAN RIVER	202	137	65	85	10	5
FLATWATER POND	145	123	22	97	2	1
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	709	596	113	93	4	3
SOP'S ARM	158	141	17	96	2	2
RIVER OF PONDS	403	337	66	88	7	5
PISTOLET BAY	104	85	19	87	9	4
PINWARE RIVER	138	119	19	73	17	10
CENTRAL TOTAL	1,859	1,538	321	90	6	4
BLOW ME DOWN	192	130	62	71	15	14
BLUE PONDS	261	205	56	80	16	4
PICCADILLY HEAD	215	181	34	80	11	9
BARACHOIS POND	948	833	115	84	12	4
CRABBE'S RIVER	230	188	42	67	20	13
GRAND CODROY	594	395	199	51	28	21
MUMMICHOG	146	118	28	46	34	20
J.T. CHEESEMAN	895	650	245	48	30	22
WESTERN TOTAL	3,481	2,700	781	65	21	14
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	18,000	15,008	2,992	90	6	4

TABLE 13
DAILY PERMITS SUMMARY

PARK	TOTAL DAILY PERMITS	ORIGIN		
		NFLD %	OTHER CANADIANS %	U.S.A. & FOREIGN %
LA MANCHE	1,434	96	3	1
BUTTER POT	2,729	92	6	2
GUSHUE'S POND	1,436	95	4	1
HOLYROOD POND	168	89	8	3
FITZGERALD'S POND	745	85	11	4
BACKSIDE POND	852	94	5	1
NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1,721	94	5	1
BELLEVUE BEACH	841	86	10	4
JACK'S POND	370	86	13	1
FRESHWATER POND	634	97	2	1
FRENCHMAN'S COVE	412	89	10	1
LOCKSTON PATH	576	94	5	1
MARINE DRIVE	1,405	99	1	0
AVALON TOTAL	13,323	93	5	2
SQUARE POND	886	92	7	1
DAVID SMALLWOOD	152	82	15	3
WINDMILL BIGHT	827	95	3	2
JONATHAN'S POND	1,148	92	7	1
NOTRE DAME	1,437	89	9	2
DILDO RUN	476	77	16	7
BEOTHUCK	1,217	85	14	1
JIPUJIKUEI KUESPEM	169	93	6	1
MARY MARCH	78	78	22	0
CATAMARAN	587	82	14	4
EASTERN TOTAL	6,977	88	10	2
INDIAN RIVER	323	66	26	8
FLATWATER POND	381	94	4	2
SQUIRES MEMORIAL	1,140	76	16	8
SOP'S ARM	52	90	6	4
RIVER OF PONDS	592	73	17	10
PISTOLET BAY	523	74	15	11
PINWARE RIVER	222	50	32	18
CENTRAL TOTAL	3,233	74	17	9
BLOW ME DOWN	496	64	26	10
BLUE PONDS	497	70	23	7
PICCADILLY HEAD	375	74	18	8
BARACHOIS POND	1,271	74	20	6
CRABBE'S RIVER	172	40	42	18
GRAND CODROY	708	40	46	14
MUMMICHOG	154	42	43	15
J.T. CHEESEMAN	797	26	56	18
WESTERN TOTAL	4,470	56	33	11
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	28,003	84	12	4

PARK INFORMATION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The aim of the park information and education programs is to heighten visitors' awareness of the natural and cultural history of the parks and their surroundings. This is achieved through a variety of recreational and educational programs. By participating in the many programs offered, people discover, first-hand, their relationship with nature. Once visitors understand that they are part of a vast and delicate system, they are generally stimulated to be concerned about their environment.

An increase in the amount of leisure time has also contributed to the importance of Interpretation. Recreation time is made more productive and entertaining when interpretive facilities, such as the Logging Exhibit at Beothuck Park, the four Amphitheatres at Barachois, Squires, Notre Dame and Butter Pot Park, and more than seventy on-site exhibits are utilized. Campfire programs, guided walks, roving naturalist and nature craft programs are a few of the many events which enlighten the camping experience of our park visitors. During the past four summers an effort has been made to expose the park visitor to the work of the Park Interpretation Section by holding a Park Interpretation Week, with a special theme each year.

Another program of the section is the production and publication of books and pamphlets on Newfoundland's flora, fauna, geology and ecology. To date, 16 publications have been printed and widely distributed to the public.

Table 14 provides a summary of the Interpretive programs conducted in five parks during 1984. These parks were: Barachois, Sir Richard Squires, Beothuck, Notre Dame and Butter Pot.

TABLE 14
SUMMARY OF INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM ATTENDANCE
1984

ACTIVITY	Number of Programs	Total Number of Participants	Average Participant per Program	PERCENTAGE ORIGIN OF PARTICIPANTS		
				Nfld.	Other Canadians	U.S.A. & Other
Campfire Program	50	3,406	68	89%	8%	3%
Amphitheatre Program	61	3,760	62	91%	6%	3%
Guided Walks	59	555	9	92%	4%	4%
Roving Naturalist Program	N/A	3,890	N/A	-	-	-
Sports and Environmental Games	15	224	15	-	-	-
Nature Crafts	30	495	17	-	-	-
Other Activities*	10	539	54	-	-	-
Interpretation Week	30	2,405	80	-	-	-
Logging Exhibit	N/A	9,290	N/A	83%	10%	7%

* Other activities include: Interpretive orienteering, poster coloring contest, puppet shows, puppet making workshops, scavenger hunts, etc.

The Interpretive programs were held for 10 weeks from June 14 to August 20.

TABLE 15

PROVINCIAL PARK USAGE, 1960 - 1984

YEAR	NUMBER OF PARKS	TOTAL CAMPSITES	TOTAL PICNIC SITES	TOTAL VISITORS	TOTAL CAMPER NIGHTS
1960	13	200	210	216,121	15,956
1961	17	309	270	357,803	62,592
1962	18	350	295	377,293	58,928
1963	18	437	362	511,832	52,904
1964	19	476	418	611,373	67,316
1965	19	508	455	594,658	62,236
1966	29	708	655	815,984	60,716
1967	31	727	784	1,140,685	84,916
1968	33	875	853	1,021,954	103,172
1969	35	959	903	1,192,050	120,704
1970	35	973	903	1,184,105	148,132
1971	36	1,256	972	1,602,178	176,504
1972	47	1,335	1,077	1,753,156	206,720
1973	49	1,465	1,230	1,879,349	248,064
1974	51	1,485	1,430	2,249,336	319,536
1975	54	1,817	1,526	2,709,902	417,892
1976	66	1,841	1,596	2,907,905	455,388
1977	66	1,937	1,581	2,985,312	444,660
1978	66	2,176	1,590	2,828,095	480,616
1979	69	2,227	1,604	2,837,257	497,032
1980	71	2,227	1,604	2,409,898	408,616
1981	73	2,234	1,644	2,377,593	415,944
1982	77	2,242	1,644	2,145,701	383,856
1983	77	2,272	1,644	1,661,014	312,208
1984	77	2,322	1,659	1,720,369	314,528
TOTAL				40,090,923	5,919,136

TABLE 16
SUMMARY AND COMPARISON OF 1983 AND 1984
STATISTICS

	1983	1984	% CHANGE
1. Visitors	1,661,014	1,720,369	+4%
Residents	1,494,912	1,575,306	+5%
Non-Residents	166,102	145,063	-13%
2. Camping			
Camper Nights	312,208	314,528	+1%
Residents	268,499	269,508	+0.4%
Non-Residents	43,709	45,020	+3%
Camping Permits	78,052	78,632	+1%
Regular	68,826	66,708	-3%
Senior Citizen	9,226	11,924	+29%
Camping Occupancy Rates			
Seasonal	39%	41%	+2%
July-August	45%	47%	+2%
Weekend	54%	62%	+8%
Camping Equipment	78,052	78,632	+1%
Tents	15,609	15,589	-0.1%
Camper Trailers	20,089	18,963	-6%
Travel Trailers	24,999	24,740	-1%
Camper Trucks	8,495	9,257	+9%
Camper Coaches	8,860	10,103	+14%
3. Seasonal Permits	16,940	18,000	+6%
Resident	15,924	16,180	+2%
Non-Resident	1,016	1,820	+79%
Regular	14,401	15,008	+4%
Senior Citizen	2,539	2,992	+18%
4. Daily Permits	21,117	28,003	+33%
Resident	17,105	23,472	+37%
Non-Resident	4,012	4,531	+13%
5. Boat Hire Permits	388	599	+54%
Resident	384	588	+53%
Non-Resident	4	15	+275%